

Training on Bee Keeping & SODIS for Rural Areas of Eastern Highlands & Southern

27th August 2014 (Day Four)

TRAINING PROGRAM & CO-ORDINATORS EVALUATION

Module Two |
Practical session to Lipiga (bee training center)

Timing |
7 hours (All day of the 27/08/2014).

The focus of this practical session is to identify the queen bee in the active bee box and how to make sugar feed as another optional food for the bee when there are shortages of honey in the bee box. The areas that we were mainly focusing on were:

- Identifying the physical characteristics of the queen bee
- How to make sugar feed

After the training each participants were asked to develop a 3- 4 minutes talk and present it to the rest of the participants and the facilitators on what they have learned.

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Fig 1: Mr Inae talking to the participants at Lipiga (practical training site).

This module requires the trainees to correctly identify the queen bee in the bee box and how to make sugar feed and actually feeding them. The idea of the sugar feed is to assist your bees make enough food for themselves when it is not a harvest period following your bee calendar.

The practical session was a success because of the availability of the materials at the Lipiga in Goroka where the Helping Hands facilities and materials are located.



Fig 2: Participants paying closer attention to a bee farmer at Helping Hands as he shows the correct way to creating a good sugar feed.



Fig 3: Bees feeding on the sugar feed



Fig 4: Identifying the queen bee amongst the other bees (worker & drone bee)

Recommendations |

Use the right ratio of sugar & water when making a sugar feed, which is a quarter cup of water mixed with one cup of sugar. Suggest using white Ramu Sugar product.

Participants Overall Score |

1. Enthusiasm for the task at hand	100%
2. Use of resources	100%
3. Practical demonstrations.....	100%
4. General presentation.....	95%
5. Power point presentation.....	N/A
6. Involvement of all trainees	95%
7. Involvement of audience.....	95%
8. Communication skills	95%